



League of Women Voters

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misinformation (*noun*)

1. False or misleading information that is unwittingly shared.

disinformation (*noun*)

1. Information that is deliberately created and distributed with an intent to deceive or harm.

Whether delivered intentionally or accidentally, this content is harming our democracy and our communities. It is dividing neighbors and undermining our ability to effectively govern through a representative democracy.

That's why the League of Women Voters of the United States and the League of Women Voters Education Fund launched the nationwide *Democracy Truth Project* in 2022. Our goal is to provide the public with information and tools to participate in our democracy and restore trust in the political system. We do this through four key activities:

**1 Communicating
the truth**

**2 Advocating
on behalf of
voters**

**3 Listening
and staying
alert**

**4 Promoting
the right to vote**

The Democracy Truth Project leverages the extensive expertise of League leaders and advocacy partners to inoculate voters and the public against dangerous falsehoods and intercept potential mis- and disinformation spreaders before they become a serious threat.

With trusted partners, including League leaders and leading scholars who are studying the trends of mis- and disinformation, the League focuses on voters in communities that we know are most susceptible and combat the influx of lies with trusted and accurate information.

Our Vision at Work

While we know we have much to do, we have moved forward in several strategic ways. Since 2022:



1,600 attendees have participated in facilitated trainings related to mis-and-disinformation



250+ individuals were trained on voting rights reforms and voter suppression testimony



80,000+ individuals were engaged in person



3M+ individuals were engaged online

What's Next

In this moment, the best defense against the spread of mis- and disinformation is organizing, building relationships, heightening educational awareness, and pushing this work forward as advocates.

The Democracy Truth Project approach builds strategy, strengthens coalition-building, and develops a bold and civically courageous electorate. **You can help.**

Learn more about fighting mis- and disinformation at <https://www.lwv.org/blog/your-guide-mis-and-disinformation>.

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